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DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE



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TO:

Hancock County Auditor

FROM:

Department of Local Government Finance (DLGF)

RE:

REVISED - Homestead Refund Percentage Rates

DATE:

January 23, 2008

Enclosed are the revised certified 2007 Homestead Refund Percentage Rates by taxing district, pursuant to P.L. 234-2007.

After November 10th, but before December 20th, for counties that have a November 10th tax due date, the County Auditor calculates each taxpayer's Homestead Refund amount. For counties that have a 2006 pay 2007 tax due date after November 10th, the County Auditor calculates the refund amount within 30 days after the second installment due date.

Auditors should use the DLGF certified Homestead Refund Percentage Rates to calculate the refund amount. Refunds are calculated for both real estate homestead properties and mobile home homestead properties.

The Homestead Refund is calculated as the lesser of:

- Homestead Refund Percentage Rates multiplied by the Taxpayer's Net Tax Liability <u>after</u> SPTRC to calculate the refund amount; or
- Recalculate the homestead credit amount using the original homestead credit rate plus the Homestead Refund Percentage Rate, and then subtract the original homestead credit amount. The difference equals the Homestead Credit Refund.

The Homestead Refund cannot exceed the original residential net tax amount.

P.L. 234-2007 specifies that the refunds are to be applied against property taxes first due and payable in 2007. The Indiana General Assembly ordered that the refunds must be mailed to eligible taxpayers as a warrant with the following language in twelve point font:

"A portion of your local	property taxes due in 2007 are being refunded due
to tax relief provided by	the Indiana General Assembly. Your refund is in
the amount of \$	_ (insert amount of refund). If you did not receive a

check because you pay your property taxes through an escrow account along with your mortgage, your lender will receive the refund and should adjust your payments accordingly."

For counties with a November 10th tax due date, all unused Homestead Refund dollars must be refunded to the Auditor of State no later than January 10, 2008.

For counties that have a second installment tax due date later than November 10th, all unused Homestead Refund dollars are to be returned to the Auditor of State within 60 days after the tax due date.

The return of unused Homestead Refund dollars <u>is not</u> to be included in the December 2007 Settlement.

If you have any questions or need any further information, please contact John Mallers, Budget Director, Department of Local Government Finance at (317) 234-3937 or by email at jmallers@dlgf.in.gov.

STATE OF INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE 2007 HOMESTEAD REFUND PERCENT (Per Taxing District)

10.3312	GREENFIELD-BRANDYWINE	019
8.1934	TOWN OF MC CORDSVILLE	018
10.3639	FORTVILLE TOWN	017
7.7236	VERNON TOWNSHIP	016
7.7958	CUMBERLAND TOWN-SUGAR CREEK TW	015
8.9668	SPRING LAKE TOWN	014
6.8267	NEW PALESTINE TOWN	013
6.3105	SUGAR CREEK TOWNSHIP	012
10.4376	JACKSON TOWNSHIP	011
8.1469	GREEN TOWNSHIP	010
11.5829	GREENFIELD CITY	009
7.9856	CENTER TOWNSHIP	008
7.8575	CUMBERLAND TOWN-BUCK CREEK TWP	007
7.0378	BUCK CREEK TOWNSHIP	006
14.2652	WILKINSON TOWN	005
15.8273	SHIRLEY TOWN	004
10.4811	BROWN TOWNSHIP	003
7.2198	BRANDEYWINE TOWNSHIP	002
10.6308	BLUE RIVER TOWNSHIP	001
HOMESTEAD REFUND %	NCT	DISTRICT
	y: 30 Hancock	County:
	2007	Year: